

INFANTRY RIFLEMAN COURSE PROGRAM OF INSTRUCTION

SECTION III - SCOPE OF ANNEXES

A. M16A2 SERVICE RIFLE. This annex is designed to reinforce the marksmanship skills initiated in Recruit Training and to develop increased marksmanship proficiency with the M16A2 service rifle.

B. M249 SQUAD AUTOMATIC WEAPON. The intent of this annex is to qualify each Marine in the handling, maintenance, and firing of the M249 Squad Automatic Weapon. The Marine fires to standard the two firing tables required for weapons qualification as an automatic rifleman and an assault course of fire.

C. M203 GRENADE LAUNCHER. The purpose of this annex is to qualify each Marine in the handling, maintenance, and firing of the M203 Grenade Launcher. The Marine fires the M203 Grenade Launcher using both sights and executes a qualification course of fire designed to prepare them for assignment as a grenadier.

D. MUNITIONS. The intent of this annex is to provide the Marine with experience in the munitions commonly used by an infantry rifle squad. The Marine engages targets with grenades, engages targets with the M287 Bullet Tracer Training Device, emplaces and recovers a M18A1 claymore mine, and detects mines and boobytraps.

E. LAND NAVIGATION. The purpose of this annex is to initiate the development of the land navigation skills essential to all infantry Marines. The Marine calibrates a compass, navigates a three point course with a compass, performs topographic map reading, navigates a five point course with map and compass, and learns techniques for determining location.

F. COMBAT CONDITIONING. The intent of this annex is to enhance the level of combat conditioning and close combat training initiated in Recruit Training. The Marine performs events designed to enhance combat conditioning and sustains Marine Corps Martial Arts Program skills.

G. COMMUNICATIONS. The purpose of this annex is to develop basic skills in the set up and operation of squad level communications assets. The Marine communicates a properly formatted messages using prowords with field phones and an AN/PRC-119 SINCGARS field radio.

H. NUCLEAR, BIOLOGICAL, AND CHEMICAL PROTECTION MEASURES. The purpose of this annex is to initiate the Marine in the skills necessary to survive a nuclear, biological, or chemical attack. The Marine develops skill in the use of personal protective equipment, NBC detection measures, decontamination, and the treatment of self or a chemical agent casualty.

I. OFFENSE. The purpose of this annex is to provide a Marine with the skills required to effectively move, shoot, and communicate as a member of a rifle squad. The Marine develops an understanding of the three phases of offensive combat and executes fire team fire and movement and squad attacks through the objective to include consolidation and reorganization.

J. DEFENSE. The intent of this annex is to develop the skills required to repel the enemy by fire. The Marine prepares a fighting position, develops a fire team fire plan sketch, and engages the enemy upon command or upon entry of an assigned sector of fire.

K. SCOUTING AND PATROLLING. The purpose of this annex is to develop the skills necessary to perform as a member of a combat patrol out of the defense. The Marine prepares for a patrol, performs assigned duties in the execution of a combat patrol, and reports information.

L. MILITARY OPERATIONS ON URBAN TERRAIN. The intent of this annex is to provide the Marine with experience in managing the unique challenges posed by operating on urban terrain. The Marine performs individual movement on urban terrain, close quarters

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marksmanship and room clearing techniques.

M. BATTLE SKILLS ASSESSMENT EXERCISE. This annex serves as the culminating event and is designed to provide the Marine an opportunity to utilize their individual skills in the execution of a supervised, force-on-force, tactical exercise. The exercise will allow the Marine to assess their individual abilities in offense, defense, patrolling, and military operations on urban terrain. The exercise will also be used by the training unit staff as a tool to assess the immediate effectiveness of the program of instruction.

Z. ADMINISTRATION. This annex contains an accounting of the administrative time required in the conduct of the program of instruction.